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SUBJECT: LETTER FROM AMBASSADOR YOUNG TO PRIME MINISTER LEE

1. PLEASE DELIVER TO PRIME MINISTER TEXT OF FOLLOWING
LETTER FROM AMBASSADOR YOUNG. BEGIN TEXT.

DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER:

I WISH TO APOLOGIZE FOR THE SUDDENNESS WITH WHICH I HAD TO
CANCEL MY TRIP TO SINGAPORE. UNFORTUNATELY, DEVELOPMENTS
IN SOUTHERN AFRICA OF IMMEDIATE RESPONSIBILITY AND CONCERN
FORCED ME TO REMAIN IN NEW YORK.

I HAD LOOKED FORWARD VERY MUCH FOLLOWING OUR DISCUSSION IN
NEW YORK TO THE PROSPECT OF VISITING SINGAPORE AND RENEWING
OUR CONVERSATION. I WANT TO SEE YOUR DYNAMIC COUNTRY
FIRST-HAND AND LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR SUCCESSFUL APPROACH
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TO EQUITABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN A MULTIRACIAL SOCIETY.
I ALSO LOOK FORWARD TO DISCUSSIONS WITH YOU REGARDING THE
CONTEMPORARY ASIAN SCENE AND HOW YOU BELIEVE THE UNITED
STATES SHOULD RELATE TO IT. AS YOU KNOW, WE HAVE A KEEN
INTEREST IN EXPANDING OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH ASEAN AND HOPE
FOR A SUCCESSFUL US-ASEAN MEETING IN WASHINGTON LATER THIS
YEAR AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL.

I WANT YOU TO KNOW I INTEND TO VISIT SOUTHEAST ASIA WHEN MY SCHEDULE PERMITS, AND I VERY MUCH WANT TO COME TO SINGAPORE. MY EARLIER TALK WITH YOU AND MY PREPARATIONS FOR THE NOW POSTPONED TRIP HAS PERSUADED ME THAT THERE IS MUCH TO LEARN. AGAIN, PLEASE ACCEPT MY APOLOGIES FOR THIS LAST-MINUTE CANCELLATION AND ANY INCONVENIENCE IT MAY HAVE CAUSED.

SINCERELY, ANDREW YOUNG, THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES TO THE UNITED NATIONS. END TEXT.

2. SIGNED ORIGINAL WILL BE POUCHED TO EMBASSY. VANCE

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